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In all Churches and Chapels throughout *England*, *Wales*, and the Town of *Berwick upon Tweed*, upon *Wedneſday* the Twenty-ſeventh of this inſtant *February*, being the Day appointed by Proclamation for a General FAST and Humiliation before Almighty God, to be obſerved in the moſt Devout and Solemn Manner, by ſending up our Prayers and Supplications to the Divine Majeſty:

For obtaining Pardon of our Sins, and for averting thoſe heavy Judgments which our manifold Provocations have moſt juſtly deſerved; and imploring His Bleſſing and Aſſiſtance on the Arms of his Majeſty by Sea and Land, and for reſtoring and perpetuating Peace, Safety, and Proſperity to Himſelf, and to his Kingdoms.

By His Majeſty's Special Command.

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The Order for Morning Prayer.

¶ *The Service ſhall be the ſame with the uſual Office for Holy-days, except where it is in this Office otherwiſe appointed.*

¶ *Let him that miniſtereth read with a loud voice theſe Sentences of Scripture, and after them the Exhortation,* Dearly beloved, *&c.*

TO the Lord our God belong mercies and forgiveneſſes, though we have rebelled againſt him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws, which he ſet before us. Dan. ix. 9, 10.

In my trouble I will call upon the Lord, and complain unto my God. So ſhall he hear my voice out of his holy temple; my complaint ſhall come before him. Pſ. xviii. 5.

¶ *Inſtead of the* Venite, *this Hymn ſhall be uſed.*

UNTO Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my ſoul; my God, I have put my truſt in Thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me. Pſ. xxv. 1.

Wherefore ſhould the Heathen ſay, where is now their God? Pſ. cxv. 2.

The Lord is King, be the Earth never ſo unquiet; the Lord is great in Sion, and high above all people. Pſ. xcix. 1.

I ſhall find trouble and heavineſs, and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Pſ. cxvi. 4.

Unto Thee lift I up mine eyes, O Thou that dwelleſt in the Heavens. Pſ. cxxiii. 1.

The waves of the ſea are mighty, and rage horribly; but the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier. Pſ. xciii. 5.

In the multitude of ſorrows that I had in my heart, thy comforts have refreſhed my ſoul. Pſ. xciv. 19.

The Lord is my refuge, and my God is the ſtrength of my confidence. Pſ. xciv. 22.

Thou, O Lord God, art full of compaſſion and mercy, long-ſuffering, plenteous in goodneſs and truth. Pſ. lxxxvi. 15.

Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth. O knit my heart unto Thee, that I may fear thy name. Pſ. lxxxvi. 11.

Behold, O God our Defender, and look upon the face of thine anointed. Pſ. lxxxiv. 5.

Bleſſed is the man whoſe ſtrength is in Thee, in whoſe heart are thy ways. Pſ. lxxxiv. 9.

Lo! thine enemies make a murmuring, and they that hate Thee have lift up their heads. Pſ. lxxxiii. 2.

Make their faces aſhamed, O Lord, that they may ſeek thy name. Pſ. lxxxiii. 16.

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The Lord ſhall give ſtrength unto his people, the Lord ſhall give his people the bleſſing of Peace. Pſ. xxix. 10.

Help us, O God of our Salvation, for the glory of thy name; O deliver us, and be merciful unto our ſins for thy name's ſake. Pſ. lxxix. 9.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghoſt:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever ſhall be, world without end. Amen.

¶ *Proper Pſalms,* LI. *and* XC.

Firſt Leſſon, II Chronicles XX. *to the End of Verſe* 15.

¶ *After the firſt Leſſon, ſhall follow* Te Deum Laudamus, *in* Engliſh.

Second Leſſon, St. Matthew XXIV. 36—44.

¶ *Then* Benedictus, *the* Creed, *&c. to the End of the Lord's Prayer.*

¶ *Then the Prieſt, ſtanding up, ſhall ſay,*

Prieſt. O Lord, ſhew thy mercy upon us,
Anſw. And grant us thy ſalvation.
Prieſt. O Lord, ſave the King!
Anſw. Who putteth his truſt in Thee.
Prieſt. Send him help from thy holy place,
Anſw. And evermore mightily defend him.
Prieſt. Let his enemies have no advantage againſt him,
Anſw. Let not the wicked approach to hurt him.
Prieſt. O Lord, ſave thy people,
Anſw. And bleſs thine inheritance.
Prieſt. Give peace in our time, O Lord,
Anſw. And make thy choſen people joyful.

¶ *This Collect to be uſed, inſtead of the firſt Collect for Morning Prayer.*

O LORD God of our Salvation, who ordereſt all things by thy unſearchable Wiſdom, bringing to nought by thy power the Counſels of the Wicked, and working deliverance for thy Servants; we proſtrate ourſelves before Thee, in earneſt Prayer and Supplication, in behalf of ourſelves and other Nations, expoſed at this time to the cruelty, or groaning under the oppreſſion, of Apoſtates from thy Truth, and Deſpiſers of thy Holy Name; who have ſpread deſolation wherever they have erected their ſtandard.

We implore thy Bleſſing, O Lord, upon thy faithful Servant, our gracious Sovereign. Guard him, as hitherto Thou haſt done, againſt ſecret Conſpiracy and open Violence, and unite our hearts, as the heart of one man, in loyal attachment to his Perſon, and in dutiful ſubmiſſion to his Authority, and to the Laws. Proſper, we beſeech Thee, his Cares for the welfare of his People. Aſſiſt him in all his Counſels for the preſervation of theſe Kingdoms, and crown them with thy Bleſſing; and grant unto him that Peace, which the world cannot give, the comfort of ſure truſt and confidence in Thee.

Thou haſt been our merciful God from generation to generation. We have truſted in Thee, and we have been holpen. Without Thee the Wiſdom of the Wiſe is vain, and the multitude of an Hoſt is weak. Vouchſafe to continue to us, O Lord, in ſuch manner, thy guidance and ſupport, that the Enemies of our Peace may ſee, that thine Arm, ſtretched out to ſave, can cruſh the mightieſt force,

and bring to nought the moſt ſubtle Deſigns of human Policy; and that the man of the Earth, who lifteth up his Banners againſt Thee, ſhall ever be humbled under Thine Almighty Hand.

Hear us, O merciful God, for the ſake and through the merits of our only Saviour, Jeſus Chriſt, Thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then ſhall follow the* Second *and* Third *Collects at* Morning Prayer, *and the* Litany, *and then the following Prayer.*

O LORD, our Heavenly Father, we acknowledge, with penitent hearts, that we have been bleſſed, beyond other nations, in the knowledge and undiſturbed Profeſſion of thy Truth, and in the long poſſeſſion of abundant temporal Proſperity: and we confeſs, that, like the Iſraelites of old, we have too often turned our backs on Thee, and ſought our Peace and Security in our own Inventions. Reſtore us, O Lord, to a dutiful ſenſe of Thee in this Time of our Viſitation. Grant us Grace to put away all Ungodlineſs and ſinful Luſts, and ſo to hold faſt the Profeſſion of our Faith in purity of heart and mind, that thy Judgments may be withdrawn from us, and we may become diſtinguiſhed Objects of thy Mercy, through the merits of Jeſus Chriſt, our Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the People ſhall ſay this that followeth, after the Miniſter.*

TURN Thou us, O good Lord, and ſo ſhall we be turned. Be favourable, O Lord, be favourable to thy People, who turn to Thee in weeping, faſting, and praying. For Thou art a merciful God, full of compaſſion, long-ſuffering, and of great pity. Thou ſpareſt when we deſerve puniſhment, and in thy wrath thinkeſt upon mercy. Spare thy People, good Lord, ſpare them, and let not thine heritage be brought to confuſion. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy is great, and after the multitude of thy mercies look upon us, thro' the merits and mediation of thy bleſſed Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *In the time of War and Tumults.*

O Almighty God, King of all kings, and Governor of all things, whoſe power no creature is able to reſiſt, to whom it belongeth juſtly to puniſh Sinners, and to be merciful to them that truly repent; Save and deliver us, we humbly beſeech Thee, from the hands of our Enemies; abate their pride, aſſwage their malice, and confound their devices; that we being armed with thy defence, may be preſerved evermore from all perils, to glorify Thee, who art the only Giver of all victory, through the merits of thine only Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer for the Safety of our Fleets.*

O Eternal Lord God, whoſe Voice, mighty in Operation, the raging Seas and the ſtormy winds obey; who haſt compaſſed the Ocean with its bounds, ſaying, "Hitherto ſhalt thou come, but no further, and here ſhall thy proud Waves be ſtayed;" O God, who, in thy Mercy, guideſt the Mariner in Safety through the trackleſs Deep; receive, we beſeech Thee, into Thy gracious and Almighty Protection, the Fleets of thy Servant our Sovereign, the Veſſels of our Merchants, and the Perſons of all thoſe who ſerve in

them. Preſerve them from the Perils of the Seas, from the Efforts of the Enemy, and from the Danger of Diſeaſe in diſtant Climates; that they may return in Safety, and crowned, if it be thy good Pleaſure, with Succeſs in their Enterprizes, either of juſt and neceſſary War, or of lawful Commerce, to enjoy the Bleſſings of their native Land; and, with thankful Remembrance of all thy mercies, to unite in rendering Praiſe and Glory to thy Holy Name, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

WE humbly beſeech Thee, moſt merciful God, that, by thy Grace, Thou wouldeſt keep alive in us, who have this day preſumed to implore ſuch great Bleſſings at thy hands, a conſtant ſenſe of thy preſence, and of our dependence upon Thee. Suffer us not to return to our former ſinfulneſs and diſobedience, nor again to yield to thoſe evil paſſions and deſires which have brought down thy juſt judgments upon us: But ſave us, O God; ſave us, not only from our worldly, but alſo from our ſpiritual enemies; and moſt eſpecially ſave us from ourſelves, for the ſake of Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Prayer for the High Court of Parliament;—the General Thankſgiving, and to the End of Morning Prayer as uſual.*

The Communion Service.

¶ *After the Prayer for the King* [Almighty God, whoſe Kingdom is everlaſting] *ſhall be read the Collect of the Day, as in the* Morning Prayer, [O Lord God of our Salvation] *and then ſhall follow*

The Epiſtle. 2 Peter *Chap.* II. *to Verſe* 12.

BUT there were falſe Prophets alſo among the people, even as there ſhall be falſe teachers among you; who privily ſhall bring in damnable hereſies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themſelves ſwift deſtruction. And many ſhall follow their pernicious ways; by reaſon of whom the way of truth ſhall be evil ſpoken of. And through covetouſneſs ſhall they with feigned words make merchandize of you: whoſe judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation ſlumbereth not. For if God ſpared not the angels that ſinned, but caſt them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkneſs, to be reſerved unto judgment; and ſpared not the old world, but ſaved Noah the eighth perſon, a preacher of righteouſneſs, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into aſhes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an enſample unto thoſe that after ſhould live ungodly; and delivered juſt Lot, vexed with the filthy converſation of the wicked: (for that righteous man dwelling among them, in ſeeing and hearing vexed his righteous ſoul, from day to day, with their unlawful deeds;) the Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reſerve the unjuſt unto the day of judgment to be puniſhed: but

chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, self-willed, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities. Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord.

The Gospel. *St.* Luke *Chap.* XIII. *Verse* 1 *to* 6.

THERE were present at that season some that told him of the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And Jesus answering, said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galileans were sinners above all the Galileans, because they suffered these things? I tell you, Nay; but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, Nay; but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish,

¶ *Then shall follow the* Nicene Creed: *and after that the Sermon.*

After the Prayer [for the whole state of Christ's Church] *the following shall be used.*

A Prayer for our Enemies, and for Support under Persecution.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast disposed the heart of our Sovereign to unite us in prayer and supplication this day for the Pardon of our Sins, and for deliverance from the Evils of War; suffer us, we beseech Thee, in the Spirit of Christian Charity, to offer our humble Intercession for the Repentance and Conversion of Men, who have cast off their Faith in Thee the Living God; and, following the vain imaginations of reprobate Minds, have plunged themselves into Crimes and Impieties which astonish the Nations of the Earth. Open their Eyes, O Lord, that they may see and consider, with detestation and horror, the Ravages of their Cruelty. Strike them, in thy Mercy, with Remorse and Compunction, before they fill up the measure of their Iniquities: And grant, O God, unto us, thy Servants, Grace, whilst we behold with compassion the miseries they have inflicted upon the objects of their fury, to recollect the many calamities, from which We, by thy merciful Providence, are exempted. What are we, O Lord, that Thou shouldest so regard us? O let thy mercy enter into our hearts, and make us truly thankful for thy Goodness, fearful of thy Displeasure, and sensible of thy Presence; that, with hands and hearts lifted up unto Thee, we may so pass through the Uncertainties of Things Temporal, that we finally lose not the Things Eternal. And to all those, who may be ordained to suffer for thy sake, impart, O merciful Lord, such plentiful succours of thy Holy Spirit; pour into their souls such contempt of Pain and Death; kindle in their hearts such Love of Thee, and Zeal for thy Truth; fill them with such animating Hope of Immortality, that, after the Example of the blessed Saints and Martyrs of the primitive Ages, they may so steadily confess Thee before Men, that, having glorified thy Name by their Sufferings upon Earth, they may obtain of Thee an Everlasting Crown of Glory. And grant, to us all, such a denial of Ungodliness

and worldly Affections, that we may be able to look forward with hope to the Conſummation of all Things, and to the glorious Appearance of the great God and our Saviour Jeſus Chriſt; to whom with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghoſt, be honour and Glory, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who haſt promiſed to hear the petitions of them that aſk in Thy Son's Name; We beſeech Thee mercifully incline Thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and ſupplications unto Thee; and grant, that thoſe things which we have faithfully aſked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our neceſſity, and to the ſetting forth of thy glory, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Prieſt (or Biſhop, if he be preſent) ſhall let them depart with this Bleſſing.*

THE peace of God, which paſſeth all underſtanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord: and the bleſſing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghoſt, be amongſt you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The Order for Evening Prayer.

¶ *Let him that miniſtereth read with a loud Voice theſe Sentences of Scripture; and after them the Exhortation,* Dearly beloved Brethren, &c.

TO the Lord our God belong mercies and forgiveneſſes, though we have rebelled againſt him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws, which he ſet before us. Dan. ix. 9, 10.

In my trouble I will call upon the Lord, and complain unto my God. So ſhall he hear my voice out of his holy temple; my complaint ſhall come before him. Pſ. xviii. 5.

¶ *The Hymn appointed to be uſed at Morning Prayer, inſtead of the* Venite, &c. *ſhall here alſo be uſed before the proper Pſalms.*

¶ *Proper Pſalms* LXXXVI. *and* CXXX.

Firſt Leſſon, Jonah III.

My ſoul doth magnify the Lord, &c. St. Luke i. 46.

¶ *Second Leſſon, 2 St. Peter* III.

God be merciful unto us, &c. Pſalm LXVII.

¶ *Then the Creed, &c. to the End of the Lord's Prayer.*

¶ *The the Prieſt, ſtanding up, ſhall ſay,*

Prieſt. O Lord, ſhew thy mercy upon us, &c. (as inſerted in page 3.)

¶ *This Collect to be uſed inſtead of the Firſt Collect for Evening Prayer.*

O Lord God of our Salvation, &c. (as inſerted in page 3.)

The Second Collect at Evening Prayer.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto Thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that by Thee we being defended from the fear of our Enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

The Third Collect, for Aid against all Perils.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech Thee, O Lord, and by Thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night, for the love of Thy only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O Lord, our Heavenly Father, we acknowledge, &c. (as inserted in page 4.)

Then the People shall say, after the Minister:

Turn Thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned, &c. (as inserted in page 4.)

Read the usual Prayers, to the End of the Prayer In Time of War and Tumults; *then*

A Prayer for the Safety of our Fleets, (as in page 4) *and then the following:*

We humbly beseech Thee most merciful God, &c. (as inserted in page 5.)

A Prayer for our Enemies, and for Support under Persecution.

Almighty God, who hast disposed the heart of our Sovereign to unite us in prayer and supplication this day for the pardon of our Sins, &c. (as inserted in page 6.)

Then the Prayer for the High Court of Parliament:—for all Sorts and Conditions of Men, and the General Thanksgiving.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time, with one accord, to make our common supplications unto Thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are gathered together in Thy Name, thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of Thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of Thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

2 *Cor.* XIII. 14.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*